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1. WE HAD NOT PLANNED COMMENT ON GOALS STATEMENT TRANSMITTED STATE 295491 ALTHOUGH WE HAD PERCEIVED A TINGE OF INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ITEM II AND RECENT ACTIONS BEING TAKEN IN WASHINGTON TO DISCOURAGE CERTAIN TYPES OF TRADE. EMBASSY WOULD REGRET INCLUSION IN GOALS STATEMENT OF NEW ITEM CITED REFTEL. WE CONTINUE BELIEVE AS SET FORTH 1977 TRIPOLI 1545 THAT PREFERABLE POLICY WOULD BE TO DENY TO LIBYA ONLY THOSE MILITARY END-USE ITEMS WHICH ARE NOT EASILY OBTAINED FROM OTHER SUPPLIERS AND WHICH CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALLY TO LIBYAN MILITARY CAPABILITY.

2. EMBASSY WILL OF COURSE NOT BE INVOLVED IN DENIAL PROCESS, AND PROBLEM OF DEFINITION OF TERMS CONTAINED IN PROPOSED STATEMENT WILL FALL MAINLY ON DEPARTMENT. NEVERTHELESS, IF STATEMENT BECOMES U.S. POLICY, EMBASSY WILL ENCOUNTER RECURRING PRACTICAL QUESTIONS AS TO WHETHER WE SHOULD ASSIST U.S. BUSINESSMEN WHO ARE HERE

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TO SELL TO LIBYAN MILITARY VARIOUS TYPES OF ITEMS WHICH ARE NOT ON CONTROL LISTS.
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